GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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Profit/Loss of Airlines
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the profit and loss of public and private airline operators in the country during each of the last three years;

(b) whether most airline operators in the country have been incurring losses during the said period;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to assess and improve the situation to enable airline operators in the country to function effectively and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the country is lacking in aviation safety infrastructure despite of the forecast that more than a thousand civilian aircraft would be added to the fleet strength and if so, the steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
(Dr Mahesh Sharma)

(a) to (c): The Financial Summary of Scheduled Indian carriers for last three years are enclosed herewith as Annexure-I.

(d): Under the provisions of Civil Aviation Requirements (CAR) Section 3, Series S, Part I issued by DGCA, all the airlines are required to carry out assessment of its organization at least once in every 12 month period in accordance with the Checklist given in the CAR. On receipt of the requisite information, DGCA carries out the assessment on comparative basis.

If the assessment reveals unfavorable conditions as enumerated in report submitted by airlines, DGCA has the provision to initiate following actions:

- Detailed surveillance evaluation assessment to identify potential internal and external safety risks.

- Increase technical surveillance of the operations with particular emphasis on the maintenance of safety standards.

- Examination of arrangements entered into by the operator for aircraft maintenance, servicing or training. etc.

- Close scrutiny of the training programme to ensure that the training standards demonstrated when the programme was initially approved are being maintained.

- Observe performance of approved Check Pilots/Engineers.

- Ensure that the standards of operator capability and competence are equal to or exceed that required at the time of grant of initial Air Operator''s Permit.

Further expansion of fleet and operations including Air Operator''s Permit conditions depends on mitigation of the potential risk factors identified during the assessment of impact of financial stress on safety of operations by the operator to the satisfaction of DGCA.

(e):No, Madam.